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COMPLETE LISTING OF ALL CLAIMS, WITH MARKINGS AND STATUS IDENTIFIERS
(Currently amended claims showing deletions by ~~striketrough~~ and additions by underlining)

1 - 10 (canceled)

11. (currently amended): ~~An absorbable A~~
biodegradable polyester with at least one monophosphate
functionality per absorbable polyester chain wherein said
monophosphate functionality comprises a $-O-P(O)(OH)_2$ moiety
covalently linked to said polyester chain via a single
phosphate bond, and wherein the polyester chain comprises
one or more monomers selected from the group consisting of
L-lactic acid, D-lactic acid, DL-lactic acid, malic acid,
citric acid, tartaric acid, ϵ -hydroxy caproic acid, alkylene
oxalate, cycloalkylene oxalate, alkylene succinate,
 β -hydroxybutyrate, glycolide, glycolic acid, L-lactide,
D-lactide, DL-lactide, meso-lactide, trimethylene carbonate,
 ρ -dioxanone, 1,5-dioxepan-2-one and 1,4-dioxepan-2-one and
any optically active isomers, racemates, or copolymers
thereof.

12 (original): An absorbable polyester according
to claim 11 further comprising one or more polyethylene
glycol segments covalently linked to said polyester.

13 - 28 (canceled)